

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 697

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A RESOLUTION to commend the 2007 award winners in the Shelby County Republican Party.

WHEREAS, the members of this body are pleased to specially recognize those energetic and talented citizens of our State who actively participate in the civic life of their community and their State; and

WHEREAS, one group of outstanding Tennesseans is the 2007 award winners of the Shelby County Republican Party, who were recently recognized by the organization for their avid and essential support of the Republican Party in Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, those recognized by the Shelby County Republican Party have earned the respect and admiration of their fellow Republicans by displaying outstanding work ethics, resolute determination for advancement of party ideologies, and unwavering commitment to the political process within Shelby County and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, those winning awards were Mark White, who garnered the Chairman's Award; Betty Kimbrough, who was given the Peggy Hemperly Grassroots Volunteer of the Year award; Arnold Weiner, who captured the "Elephant's Trunk" Fundraising Award; Laura Sheppard, who was honored with the Thelma Williams Headquarters Volunteer of the Year Award; Judge Curtis Person, the Bob James Outstanding Public Service Award; John Ryder, who was given the Odell Baker Award for Republicanism; and the College Republicans, which garnered the Republican Club of the Year; and

WHEREAS, those gaining special recognition for their volunteerism and their dedication to their local organizations were Helen Stark of the Republican Career Women, Linda Casebier of the Shelby County Republican Women, Abigail Braddock of the Shelby County Young Republicans; Linda Gregory of the East Shelby Republican Club, Pat Casey of the Bartlett/Northeast Shelby Republican Club, John Willingham of the Southeast Shelby

Republican Club, Dana Whitmore of the University of Memphis College Republicans, Paula Sedgwick of the Republican Women of Purpose, and Angelo Cobrasci of the Shelby County Conservative Republican Club; and

WHEREAS, the Republican Party of Shelby County has been fortunate to have enjoyed the services of these intrepid individuals, and it is fitting that they should be recognized for their many contributions to the Shelby County community and to this State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we commend and congratulate the 2007 award winners of the Shelby County Republican Party and salute their dedication to the political process in their communities and beyond.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.